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MIDWOODITES VIE FOR COMMISSIONERSHIPS

By MARLENE ROBINSON

A large number of Midwoodites applied for commissionerships in the City of Midwood from January 7 through 16. One may apply for membership in any of the twenty-two commissions at the end of each term. They are as follows:

The Ambassadorial Commission is in charge of relations with other schools.

Arranging theater parties, distributing free tickets to exhibitions and T.V. shows, and keeping Midwood up to date on cultural activities in New York, is the function of the Around New York Commission. The Athletic Commission arranges events and helps publicize the teams.

Arrangements for a spring term Carnival are under the jurisdiction of the Carnival Commission. The Civil Service Commission cares for the placement of all applicants for commissions, keeps records of accepted and rejected candidates for commissions.

The Codification Committee keeps books and records of all motions passed by the various student councils and the Board of Estimate, and arranges all motions, laws, codes, and amendments. Providing information on college and scholarships; running all school, grade and special elections, including the Election Assemblies and the counting of ballots; arranging concerts in the Music Lounge and obtaining tickets for concerts; are the jobs of the College, Election, and Music Commissions respectively.

The Orientation Commission familiarizes new Midwoodites with all activities. The F.D.R. Commission does extensive work in the field of brotherhood and grants the F.D.R. Memorial Award. Distributing newspapers, when they are available, is the function of the Newspaper Commission.

Other Commissions include the Publicity Commission, the Recreation Commission, the Ticket Sale Commission, Welfare Commission, Assembly Planning Commission and the Special Committee to Review Service Credit.

No January Graduation

By SETH SCHWEITZER

Dr. Jacob L. Bernstein, principal of Midwood High School, will present each member of the senior class of January 1963 with his diploma in the school auditorium, January 31, at 8:15 a.m.

There will not be a formal graduation ceremony nor a senior show at this time. However, Mrs. Edith Kelly and Mrs. Gilda Rosenberg, the seniors' grade advisors, emphasized the fact that all January graduates will be invited to return to Midwood in June, for the annual commencement exercises.

The e are several reasons for the late date and early hour of the ceremonies. First of all, Regents examinations this year take place very late in the month. Since a student cannot receive his high school diploma wtihout passing certain state tests, the school must postpone the graduation until the results are available.

Also, students who attend the assembly program must have completed the graduation exercises early, so that they will be able to take a physical examination, at Brooklyn College, which will start early in the afternoon.

Of the one hundred and thirty-five candidates for graduation, several will be unable to attend the exercises because they will have had to travel to the college of their choice before the beginning of the new term, which is early in February. Miss Flora Shore, administrative assistant at Midwood, predicts that other seniors may not attend because of the embarrassment of their being ninth and tenth term pupils. Of course, many of the seniors will be graduating in the accelerated program (three and one-half years, instead of four).

Last year at this time, a regular graduation ceremony was held. However, it too would have been postponed if senior officers hadn't proved that the January '62 class desired and deserved a graduation.

In spite of the change in procedure, the January graduates may nevertheless purchase hats in room 113; senior buttons are distributed to students who have paid their senior dues.

PUPILS SIGN PETITION; FIELD OPEN WEEK-ENDS

The City of Midwood, in conjunction with the Health Education Department, circulated a petition to have the Midwood Athletic Field open for an extended period of time. In addition, the Midwood student body recently voiced a complaint because basketball ticket prices are so high.

At present, the field is open weekends during the spring and everyday during the summer. On Labor Day, the field closes for the fall and winter sessions. The aim of the petition is to convince members of the Board of Education that a majority of students would like to have the field facilities open to them on weekends during the fall. The petition is being referred to Miriam Lipman, who is the Coordinator of Community Affairs for this district. There have been no results as yet.

The basketball game between Erasmus and Midwood is one of the biggest games of the season.

In order to reduce the multitude of people who attend, according to the Boys Health Ed. Department, ticket prices were raised to one dollar. However, this had no effect on spirited students.

Senior Class Adopts Indian Boy; Child to Receive Financial Aid

By SHELLY BRAFF

The senior class of 1963 has started a drive to adopt an Indian boy. Soliciting for funds to support the child began January 2, and will continue through the close of this term.

Originally, the senior class of 1962 adopted this child. However, the "Save the Children Federation," through which the adoption is being arranged, sent a letter to Midwood requesting continued aid for this youngster. The Federation suggested that this year's senior class also adopt the Indian boy, since he is still in need of financial help. It is hoped that this adoption will become a project of every graduating class.

Allen Tsiniginie

Allen Tsiniginie, age 11, lives on an American Indian reservation in the West. Because he is so poor, the money collected will go toward the buying of supplementary food, clothing and school supplies for him.

Homeroom representatives, senior class officers, and major City of Midwood officers are all carrying cans in which contributions for this cause may be deposited. The seniors hope to collect between one hundred and one hundred fifty dollars to give to the child.

Students Aid CARE, UNICEF

This term, Midwood students have given nearly nine-hundred dollars to CARE and UNICEF. The Welfare Commission, working to build a "Midwood Annex in Guatemala," has raised three-hundred seventy-six dollars; the F.D.R. Commission has collected five-hundred dollars for UNICEF by selling Christmas Cards.

The money solicited for CARE will form the crux of a "self help project" through which a small school will be erected. CARE is at present lending enough technical assistance to make possible the education of an additional thirty-six hundred children per semester. CARE supplies desks and blackboards, while the job of erecting the school building is left to the community.

Another achievement of the Welfare Commission, this term, was its biannual party at the Williamsburg Settlement House. The commission entertained nearly one hundred children from the ages of four to eleven and relied partially on donations for its activities. This year, Holland Farms donated milk, while the commission provided pastries. Each commission member was, in addition, asked to bring three new toys of high quality. Welfare Commissioner Barbara Glasser, reports that response to a schoolwide campaign for new toys was good. One of the most notable contributions was a gift of fifteen stuffed animals made by Martin Perlman of homeroom 313A. Some sixteen commission members are also visiting the Brownsville Boys' Club twice a week on a rotation basis, to aid children stricken with Cerebral Palsy.

The F.D.R. Commission has topped its sale of CARE Christmas Cards sold last year, by selling five-hundred dollars worth of cards for UNICEF this Christmas. The commission is planning an essay contest concerning the Legacy of Eleanor Roosevelt.

EARTH SCIENCE STUDENTS VISIT DEL. WATER GAP

By CORA GOLDBAUM

"Viewing a natural phenomenon such as the Delaware Water Gap is a good experience for students because it provides them with the opportunity to see what they have been learning about in class," said Mr. Stephen Berr, an earth science teacher at Midwood. Thirty-three Midwoodites, Mr. Berr, and Mr. Cy Alexander, a parent, took a field trip to the Gap as part of their course of study in earth science, Saturday, December 8.

The participants in this trip chartered a bus and left Brooklyn at 8:00 a.m. They returned at 7:30 p.m.

The Delaware Water Gap, near Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, is a deep, narrow gorge cut by the Delaware River in the Kittatinny Mountains, sixty-five miles west of New York City. Approximately 50 million years ago, while the Delaware River was forging its way to sea, the river waters wore a gorge through the solid rock of the rising mountains.

In the above area, the earth scientists found fossils, collected minerals and saw such sights as a lava flow, an anticline (an arch of stratified rock in which the beds or layers dip in opposite directions from the crest) and a peneplane (a land surface worn down nearly to a plane, by the process of erosion). They also viewed Budd Lake, a glacial feature, which over many millions of years, has risen two thousand feet above sea level.

SCHEDULE OF REGENTS EXAMINATIONS — JANUARY 1963

MORNING EXAMS		AFTERNOON EXAMS
8:45- 9:15 A.M. Distribution of papers 9:15-12:15 P.M. Exam Period		12:45-1:15 P.M. Distribution of papers 1:15-4:15 P.M. Exam Period
NORMAL PROGRAMS PERIODS 1-10	WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23rd	CHEMISTRY (Citywide) EARTH SCIENCE (Citywide) PHYSICS (Citywide)
BIOLOGY (REGENTS) AMERICAN HISTORY and WORLD BACKGROUNDS (REGENTS)	THURSDAY JANUARY 24th	BOOKKEEPING (Citywide) 10th YR. MATH (REGENTS) 11th YEAR MATH (Citywide) 12A MATH (REGENTS) 12B MATH (REGENTS) INT. ALGEBRA (REGENTS) TRIGONOMETRY (REGENTS) MERCHANDISING (Citywide) STEN. & TRANSCRIPTION (Citywide)
ENGLISH (REGENTS)	FRIDAY JANURY 25th	FRENCH 3 YRS. (Citywide) SPANISH 3 YRS. (Citywide) GEN. DRAFTING 1 YR. (Citywide)

KNOPP TO BE INSTALLED; TWO VOTED COMPTROLLER

By BRUCE PARKER

Sandra Knopp, the newly elected mayor of Midwood, will be officially installed in February.

Sandy had previously served as publicity commissioner and then as comptroller of the City of Midwood, under her predecessor, Danny Feld.

Among her ideas for her term in office is the inception of two committees. The first is a constitutional revision committee to examine Midwood's constitution and suggest amendments. David Schaps is the proposed chairman of this new group. The second committee is designed to review the distribution of service credit. Sandy said that applicants to these committees are invited and expected.

The December 13 elections were unusual in that an almost equal number of ballots were obtianed by two of the candidates for comptroller. Sal Fusaro and Daisey Sealy were only a few votes apart after a recount of the ballots. This has never occurred before; Dr. Bernstein and Mr. Weinberger approved the election of two candidates for the same office since "they work well together."

Natalie Posner was elected Executive Secretary and Ruth Lazar, Kensington Coordinator. David Holzman will serve as sixth term president. These offices were not decided until after the December issue of the **Argus** was printed.

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KIDS EXPLORE BIOLOGY

Jerrold Garson and Arthur Schwartzberg are determining the effects of antibiotics on bacteria; Rose Rock is trying to find the effect of Colchicine on aspens. They are but three of the Midwoodites working on biology experiments in this school.

Jerrold and Arthur, who began their project in October, are using achromycin and kanamycin, both antibiotics, on a strain of bacteria known as Serratia marcescens. The two boys have discovered that the drug produces mutations in the coloration and size of the bacteria. Jerrold, now taking college chemistry, said that he intends "to try lithium salts in this strain of bacteria." He has entered his project in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search Contest.

Rose Rock's experiment with Colchicine (a chemical that doubles the number of chromosomes) on aspens has never been done before with this tree. However, when it was tried on various garden plants, the stomata (openings on the bottom of the leaves) changed in size and number; the guard cells around the stomata changed in the same manner. Rose's question is "if there is a change in the amount of chlorophyll, will there also be a change in the rate of photosynthesis?"

Thus far, Rose has noted changes in the growth rate of the aspen seedlings. The seeds were soaked in Colchicine before germination; their roots and stems increased in width, but decreased in height, and no secondary roots appeared. However, when half of the aspens were again treated with the chemical after germination, secondary roots appeared.

Jurow Ranks Third in B.C. Spanish Contest

By PHYLLIS MASLIN

Midwood senior Jessie Jurow succeeded in winning third prize in Brooklyn College's Inter-High School Spanish Poetry Recital Contest, held at George Gershwin Hall in December.

The contestants consisted of a group of students who represented many of the high schools throughout the borough of Brooklyn. These people either recited poetry or read some scenes from the plays of Lope de Vega. Señora Guerrero, faculty advisor at Brooklyn College, was in charge of the contest, and many of the college professors judged the event. In addition, Mrs. Rosenberg, a Spanish teacher at Midwood, and Mr. Cabat, chairman of Midwood's language department, prepared Jessie for the contest. The judges based their decisions on the contestant's dramatic expression, voice clarity, and the quality of Spanish pronunciation.

In respect to the study of foreign languages, Midwood's language department recently posted the names of

Jessie Jurow

new members of Summa Cum Laude for this fall term. Lois Klein, Lynn Friedman, Diane Siperstein, Sandra Knopp, Richard Spies, Robert Fox, Judith Cohen, and Daniel Feld are the respective Spanish winners who ranged from first term through college Spanish. The list for Hebrew students includes Deanne Moinester, Debbie Edelstein, Olivia Hibel, and Herman Birnbaum, from the first, second, fifth and seventh terms, respectively. Jeffrey Glass, Meryl Chassman and Ellen Varet are the respective first, third, and fifth term French students who received the honor; the names of Judith Kline, Frances Novack, and Laurie Gordon, seventh term French students, and Madeleine Fischer of the college French class, also appeared on the list.

City Roundup . . . . . .

What is your field of talent? Are you a comedian, a tap or ballet dancer, a folk or opera singer? Do you play a musical instrument or perform magic tricks? Are you an acrobat or a twirler?

Whatever your talent may be, don't waste it! Apply for an audition to perform in the "Talent Show." Include your name, address, phone number, homeroom, past experience and your choice of selections (if you plan to sing) on your applications, which can be secured outside B-71.

The Midwood G.O. store is in the process of conducting a sale on old books that have been in stock for a long time.

Books, that range in price from thirty-five cents to three dollars and seventy-five cents, are selling at prices ranging from ten cents to sixty cents.

This sale offers Midwood bargain-hunters the chance to buy old books at tremendous discounts. Widespread subjects range from the basic essentials of human heredity to the many forms of art in today's world. Everyone is invited to participate in this sale being conducted in the G.O. store, room B-73.

An Amateur Radio Club is now functioning in Midwood. The newly formed club meets in room 313 Wednesdays during the "M" homeroom period. Mr. Steven Berr, a Midwood earth science teacher, is its faculty advisor. Prospective members need only to come to the meetings to join.

The club is planning to establish a radio station in Midwood where they can transmit and receive radio signals from other "ham" operators. When they find a sponsor, they will be able to apply to the Federal Communications Commission for a station license.

The Midwood Choral Society, under the direction of Mrs. Belle Tillis, recorded for radio station WHN, December 19, at the request of the radio studio.

The Mixed Chorus performed selections from their recent repertoire which included "Hallelujah Amen," "Heavenly Light," "Carol of the Bells," and "Angels We Have Heard On High." Soloists sang selections from a few of the songs and a boys' quartet sang a song from "The Music Man."

The Chorus also recorded for NBC on Monday, December 17, in the school auditorium, singing the same numbers as for WHN.

Midwood High School students can now purchase tickets for the hit movie "The Longest Day." A special showing of the movie is scheduled for Wednesday morning, January 30, at the Warner Theatre in Manhattan. Tickets cost ninety cents.

The film, starring Richard Burton, Peter Lawford, and Robert Mitchum among others, depicts the story of D-Day.

The New York Daily News gave the movie four stars and called it "the greatest of all war films."

We Regret . . .

The staff of the Midwood **Argus** regrets to note the losses suffered by the families of both students and faculty.

Mr. Samuel Friedburg, father of Mrs. Marion Lind, a school secretary, passed away in January.

Miss Ida Malkin, a member of Midwood's mathematics department, lost her mother, Mrs. Fannie Malkin.

Mr. Irving Reiman, the father of Midwood senior Leslie Reiman, died of a heart attack.

Mr. Sidney Herman, the father of Midwood junior Arlene Herman, also passed away recently.

Midwood junior Rosemary Grassi, lost her grandmother, Mrs. Rose Grassi.

Mr. Joseph Veltri, father of fourth termer Rose Veltri, died on New Year's Day.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved families and friends of the deceased.

Glassman Wins Mobile Contest; Names Structure 'Wings of Song'

By LINDA SCHOTT

"Wings of Song," composed by Eleanor Glassman, a junior at Midwood, was chosen as the title of the mobile structure in the Natalie Chancy Music and Art Lounge.

The "Name the Mobile" Contest, originated by Bruce Diamond, commenced directly after the installation of the blue-green colored mobile in the lounge, November 30. Dave Breslauer, lounge commissioner, announced the winner, December 19. There were approximately two hundred entries deposited into a suggestion box. Eleanor, the winner, selected the currently popular record album "The First Family," as a prize. (She was given her choice of album.) Dave Breslauer and Rita Asaro, co-commissioner of the music lounge, judged the contest with the help of the period leaders, who are students in charge of the lounge at various times during the day.

The mobile is a gift from the Senior Class of 1962 in memory of the late Miss Catherine Meehan. Miss Meehan was a devoted English teacher, and a dedicated grade advisor at Midwood. The mobile, costing about five hundred dollars, was created by Mr. David Burt.

Eleanor Glassman

It measures approximately four and a half feet in length, and follows the tradition of Mr. Alexander Calder, the artist who originated this type of sculpture in the late 1920's. A committee of teachers including Daniel Lefkowitz, Miss Roberta Scongerella, Mrs. Belle Tillis, Mrs. J. Gordon, helped to select it.

They went to a great deal of trouble to find a mobile that would express the vigor and spirit of the late Miss Meehan.

MET AT MIDWOOD 'BARBER' ELATES OPERA PATRONS

By HERMAN KOLENDER,
Journalism Class

The Metropolitan Opera group presented the comic opera, "The Barber of Seville," December 10, in the Midwood Auditorium. Antonio Rossini, the Italian who composed the opera, based his music on a libretto written by Cesare Sterbini.

"The Barber of Seville" is a light opera about the plan of two men to gain the love of a fair young maiden Rosina. Count Almaviva is aided in his cause by Figaro, the barber of Seville. Dr. Bartolo, who is Rosina's guardian, is helped by Basilio, a music teacher. There is much confusion in the plot because almost everyone in the cast changes costume or identity at one time or another. At the end of all the amusing scheming, Count Almaviva marries Rosina. Dr. Bartolo, defeated, gives his reluctant blessings.

Consideration must, of course, be given to the fact that the locality for the performance was not the best to house the resonant singing voices. The scenery enhanced the opera, and the costumes were both colorful and delightful.

After the warm ovation which the actors received for their fine performance, one of them informed this reporter, "This was one of the first high schools we've played and I am very pleased to say that the audience was excellent and very responsive."

EDITORIAL . . . . . .

As this semester draws to a close, the newly elected spring term officers of the City of Midwood are ready to begin fulfilling their campaign promises. Traditionally, there is an induction assembly; commissioners are chosen; the new Board and Council begin to function. In general, the officers assume their responsibilities as stated in the constitution. However, this year a major deviation seems apparent—two encumbents have been designated for the position of comptroller. This decision came as a result of a very close recount of the votes between the two candidates. Thus, the Board and Council decided to place both the nominees in office.

The decision, though it appears just at first glance, is, in actuality, unconstitutional. Our constitution does call for a recount if there is a difference of 80 votes or less between any two candidates. A recount was, therefore, taken. Naturally, as a result of this second tally, there must be one winner and one loser. No matter how small the margin of loss, there must still be one winner, one loser. Nowhere does our constitution call for a specific number of votes for election. Nowhere does it stipulate that if the difference in the number of votes of a recount be very few, that two persons will be appointed to the position. It does, however, state that **one** person shall be elected to hold the post of comptroller.

Naturally, an amendment to this provision could be adopted, but, as yet, one has not been proposed. Thus, the action of the appointment of two comptrollers remains, in our opinion, unconstitutional.

The importance of this decision lies in the fact that the City of Midwood's foundation is its constitution. The organization is run so smoothly because each of its officers assume the responsibility clearly set forth in the document. Certainly, in this case, no one doubts the ability of either of the two candidates. But, how can two officers exercise the duties of the position without these duties having been specifically defined? Who is to have the authority to approve and disapprove what? How can the Finance Commissioners take orders from two Comptrollers?

A prominent figure in the City of Midwood has defended the action by raising the point of possible errors on the part of the students counting and tallying the votes. He states that there were mistakes in both counts taken, apparent by the fact that the tallies did not correspond. No doubt, there probably were errors in counting. Then, why weren't the votes counted and recounted until a correct tally was had?

The City of Midwood is, and heretofore has been, our introduction to good government. Are we to be taught disrespect for constitution and laws in high school? *CLARE HOLLANDER*

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A problem of constitutionality

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the editor of the Midwood Argus:

Far be it from me to support alienation of any racial group, or to oppose non-profit charities. And most certainly, I'm not opposed to children. However, I do take exception to the present campaign being carried on by can-carrying welfarists. I would like to see substantial school-wide publicity, providing there is adequate justification for this collection. I consider this campaign a rather dramatic indictment of the frivolity of many welfare activities which are supported merely because they are "liberal." The tactics used in these collections are also subject to criticism. The can method of collection creates an undue pressure upon the student body, almost deleting the validity of the term "voluntary" from the collection.

Eric Busch, 379A

To the editor of the Midwood Argus:

Should a student who has a specific career in mind be required to take courses which have no relationship to this career? In this day and age, where specialization prevails and time is of the greatest essence, isn't it unnecessary to spend so much time broadening our cultural background instead of getting right down to the basic needs of our chosen professions? Some of our required courses, which have no direct connections with our future plans, take study time away from those courses which we would need. If it weren't for these subjects, it would most likely be possible for us to do far superior work in our specialized areas. If we were permitted to work toward our desired goal, it would save time in our undergraduate work and would enable us to enter graduate school at an earlier age. It is a known fact that men and women are not entering such fields as medicine, because the preparation and graduate period require so many years of study and they are from thirty to thirty-five years of age before they can start to earn a living. This also puts a great strain on the families of these individuals. Don't these facts indicate that there is a need for a change in our educational curriculum?

Janet Nislow, 315A

To the editor of the Midwood Argus:

It is a well known fact that there are insufficient student lockers available in Midwood. This is caused pa tly by the number of students, but even more important is the great number of lockers which, for various reasons, cannot be used. In one classroom which contains forty, or the usual number of student lockers, nine are being used by a teacher for storage, two have no doors, and eight either do not close, or do not re-open. Thus, nineteen, or nearly half of the forty, are not suitable for student use. The lockers are small, and often their size is inadequate, but if all could be used by students, this problem would be at least partially alleviated.

Iris Jenner, 332A

MAYOR'S DESK

One year ago, an **Argus** editorial wondered whether I would be "disillusioned" about the City of Midwood by the time I left office. This month, after an entire year as Mayor, I can safely say that I retain the same enthusiasm and faith in the City of Midwood.

Undoubtedly, months of working on practical problems have made me fully aware of student government's limitations. It is not cynical, but only realistic, to understand that Midwood is a vast school which must consider its government as one activity within a group of many. In fact, I have learned to appreciate other points of view. Homeroom teachers, for instance, cannot always be expected to welcome the City of Midwood's intrusion into their already crowded fifteen minutes of a normal school day.

Nevertheless, despite an overcrowded school, despite a two session schedule, despite its competition with many other extra-curricular activities, the City of Midwood manages to provide important services for the school and to give an unlimited number of participants some valuable experience.

Specifically, by meeting so many inspiring people, I have concluded that the administration, faculty, and students of this school are sympathetic to student government's aims and are willing to cooperate with us if we meet them half-way. In turn, it has been and will continue to be the City of Midwood's responsibility to take the initiative in doing its share.

Any Mayor who takes on the job without first feeling this sense of purpose and confidence will be easily discouraged by some minor difficulties along the way.

I hope my successors, therefore, will have the same good fortune in maintaining a positive view of our student government, and will look upon their job as a challenge deserving their utmost dedication. To the many people who make up Midwood High School, I owe my thanks for making possible something which has meant so much to me during these past twelve months.

DANIEL FELD

Principal's Message

Dear Boys and Girls:

Next term, starting on February 1st, you will see some new "faces" around the school. These men and women will serve as **school aides.** They will have the responsibility of taking over much of the supervision of our cafeteria and patrol of our building. The regular teachers whom they will ultimately relieve of these duties will, as a result, have time available to perform other professional services of advantage to all of you.

I therefore take this opportunity to enlist your wholehearted support of this experimental venture. In the Midwood tradition, I expect you to accord our **school aides** the respect and cooperation which your teachers should receive. These men and women will receive my complete backing and support, so that any discourtesy or failure to cooperate would carry serious disciplinary consequences.

I intend to give these "aides" my personal assurance that they will be dealing with cooperative ladies and gentlemen, and that their work here will therefore be pleasant and rewarding.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. Bernstein, Principal

Fermenting Fun for Folks

Grapes splattered all over the walls, crates of the delicious fruit piled up to the ceiling, and rolling barrels scattered about, create the scene of bedlam in the Asaro household each winter. It is a perennial in my family to make the traditional homemade wine that has been made for innumerable generations.

Little Ole Winemaker

The hectic process originates at a large grape market on the other side of town, where my grandfather carefully chooses the desired brand. The selection is like a scientific experiment, with the tasting, picking, and scrutinizing of the contents of each forty-two pound box before the transaction is finally made.

The chaos begins when the precious grapes are in the house all ready to be crushed into their sweet juice. Out come the hand-manipulated machines to be placed on top of the sturdy wooden barrels. The first bunch is thrown between the two rollers and with one turn of the crank—squash!—it dramatically descends and a burst of cheer rings out from the joyous onlookers.

With that, the pulpy clusters are tossed in every direction into the tattered machine which looks like an atom smasher. In the midst of this confusion, a weak voice screams for the organization of an assembly line, but gives up in vain and joins the happy group. Weary, looking like purple people eaters, they retire for the day, but eager for the next.

The next disorderly session comes one week later when the pulverized bunches have fermented. Here, the grapes are separated from their stems by means of another machine, looking more like a contraption than the first. This calls for patience and a set of sturdy muscles. Slowly, the foggy juice is extracted and ready for the final barrels.

In the time of a few months, the dark purple liquid is ready to be drunk (in the true sense of the word) and with one sip—voila!—better than the nectar of the Greek gods!

Rita Asaro, Journalism Class

Meet Your Teacher

"Sometimes I feel that it might have been easier to go into the wilds of the jungle," states Miss Mary Migliorini while explaining how she became interested in teaching. "My older sister had had a very successful college career, and I wanted to follow in her footsteps. I also wanted to become an anthropologist, and was a social worker for a time. But then I discovered that teaching was what I really wanted to do." Her former ambitions are not, however, limited to these. "I took an industrial course in high school in costume design and dressmaking, but soon realized that I wasn't as talented as I should have been."

An alumna of Hunter College, Miss Migliorini has done graduate work at Columbia Teachers' College, the City College of New York, and New York University. "You name the college in New York City, and I've attended it."

Miss Miglioriini came to Midwood five years ago, after having taught in a boys' vocational high school where most of the students had serious problems. She was amazed at the differences here. She believes that one never realizes how wonderful Midwood students really are until they can be compared with others.

Miss Migliorini

Miss Migliorini has taken several trips to Europe, visiting relatives in Paris and Italy while there, but says, "It's always a thrill to see the Statue of Liberty again." This past summer, she took two trips within the United States. "Virginia is fascinating, but New Hampshire is one of my favorite states, probably because it reminds me of the Alps."

In addition to teaching English and being faculty advisor to the Midwood Newman Club, Miss Migliorini enjoys reading, singing, listening to music, and taking walks in the fresh air. "Automobiles have me spoiled; now I love taking long drives."

Once again on the subject of Midkids, Miss Migliorini stated, "Midwood students are remarkably good; they want to learn, and have a zest for knowledge. This is what a teacher wants in life, for her pupils to respond and to be attentive." Midwood students are proud to think as highly of Miss Migliorini as she does of them.

IRIS JENNER

NO NEWS MEANS BAD NEWS

The "merry" students of Midwood, their teachers and their parents are living in a period of extreme crisis and disappointment. Alas! these knowledge-starved people have been made the object of the city's recklessness. The printers of the city's nine major newspapers are on strike. As a result, the City of Midwood, as well as the City of New York, is in a state of agitation.

What heartbreaking woe has befallen the members of the history class of Midwood, who now have no little articles to summarize and paste in their notebooks! The journalism class has no newspapers to study and criticize. The school's waste-paper baskets are extremely empty, and wise students who formerly covered their books with newspaper, now use legitimate covers.

The appearance of the city's trains seems to have changed also. The end of the day finds the floors and seats emptier, while the sight of the lonely, betrampled newspaper is no longer common, and one is less apt to be poked in the ribs by a traveler who is turning the pages of the N. Y. Times.

Yet, to compensate for this, the word-gobbling public has switched to reading small private papers, while television and radio are broadcasting extra news programs. Yet, alas! Of what use is a radio when it comes to stuffing hats, and wrapping garbage?

In sheer desperation, the family who has lost its dog will soon be forced to advertise in the Midwood **Argus.**

OH! the world just isn't what it used to be any more.

Olivia Hibel

Argus Rejoices in New 'Blood'

At the beginning of every term, when rooms, teachers, and lunch periods are shuffled in a pack of pink program cards, the Midwood **Argus** receives a new infusion of talent from the journalism classes of the term before.

The new staff members are introduced to the old guard. To the latter, the newcomers are strange names and faces, whose capacities and talents will develop with the term.

The spaces these new reporters fill were created by graduates, June or January, and by editors who rose as far as they were able to and retired. The ambitious newcomers soon find out just how far there is to rise: associate editorship of News, Feature, or Sports, editorship without the disqualifying adjective "associate," and finally editor-in-chief.

The editor-in-chief has the hardest work and the most irritation, but also the most prestige and justifiable pride. Perhaps the newcomers' eyes gleam as they dream of the wonderful look of the title on a masthead, and perhaps these same eyes are carefully averted at any sight of a slaving editor-in-chief that might spoil the dream.

This term was a peculiarly cyclonic one for **Argus** members old and new. As it was the first term of the year, writers who had discovered the magic touch, that separates an excellent arttcle from a banality, lost it over the summer and had to regain it by work. The higher echelon (two associate editors and two editors) of the Feature staff was shaken up and shifted until only one person of the original four remained.

The existence of the **Argus** itself was threatened when budget changes apparently made it necessary to cut down the size and number of issues per term so drastically that there would have been no point in publishing such an amputated newspaper. Luckily, the danger is past, and the **Argus** has prevailed.

Next term this term's editor-in-chief, in the less arduous position of editor emeritus can drop by the **Argus** room during the eighth period (and the ninth and tenth on the more chaotic days) as former editors have done. There she can renew pleasant and exciting memories, and watch one of the nicest sights in the world—people working hard together for something worthwhile.

Madeline Gabrielson

Skiers Jump to New Heights

One of our country's most up-and-coming sports is skiing. It is not at all unusual for a group of students to go up to one of the nearby ski resorts for a day.

Skiing used to be considered an extremely dangerous sport. Now although not in the same class as chess, it has incorporated many safety advances. Many of the newer skis have safety locks. As soon as the skier falls, the lock automatically opens, so that the foot is not caught. Shortee skis are becoming more and more popular on slopes. They enable the skier to have more control.

Suddenly, skiers who used to bundle themselves up have become very fashion conscious. Stretch pants in varied rainbow shades and matching designed parkas are the order of the day. From afar, the onlooker can see many colored dots zipping along against a white background.

Although skiing is quite an expensive sport, one would never think so. Just looking at a tow line, a person driving past would think that there were some sort of huge sale going on. An increasing number of people are buying their own skis, poles, and shoes instead of renting them. Rental prices are so exorbitant that people who go skiing quite frequently find it cheaper to buy their own equipment. They also find that shoes fitted expressly for them improve their skiing skill a great deal.

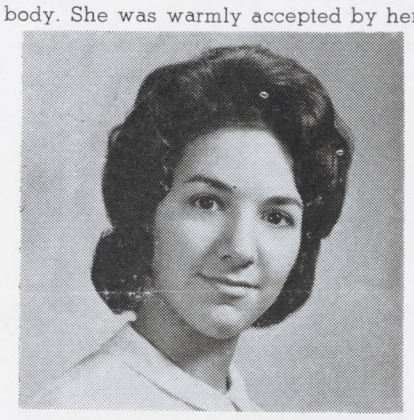
Sterling Forest, a ski resort, open less than a month, is only an hour away from New York City. Among other near-by ski locations are Silvermine, Fahnstock, Holiday Mountain Lodge and Belaire.

Children, teen-agers, and adults are all talking about the wonderful new sport that they have just discovered—skiing.

Ilene Stolper, Journalism Class

Spotlight

In the spring term of 1962, Midwood welcomed Sandra Knopp to its student body. She was warmly accepted by her



Sandy Knopp

fellow classmates and regarded as a girl of diversified interests, with an amiable personality and an eagerness to succeed.

Sandy had first attended school in Maryland and there became concerned with school politics. Upon entering Midwood, she found herself "lost and overwhelmed," but very anxious to partake in the student government. The City of Midwood chose her as Publicity Commissioner and in the same term she became a member of the orchestra. Already a participant in the many activities of her new school, Sandy's enthusiasm grew. She joined the Doxa Society and is presently serving as Comptroller for the City of Midwood. In the recent major city elections, Sandy was the triumphant candidate for mayor.

Aside from her extra-curricular activities, Sandy studies the piano and is now taking a course in music theory. Her hobbies include swimming and squash, but "I wish I were better at tennis."

When questioned on her plans for the future, the mayor-elect was uncertain. After graduation, she intends to continue her education at Pembroke College, where her thirst for knowledge and her curiosities in the fields of political science, math, and economics may be satisfied.

However, for the present, Sandy Knopp has devoted herself to the further improvement of Midwood and to performing her duties as an officer of the City of Midwood. As she looks ahead to the coming term and to her new office, Sandy is filled with anticipation. Among her objectives is the extension of the interests of the student body in the school government.

"Many students [not involved in the government] do not realize the power and influence they have concerning the affairs of their school." Sandy feels that "being in the City of Midwood is both stimulating and worthwhile."

Although she may be "a bit nervous," we are all confident that she will succeed.

HARRIET MOLBERGER

Midmoods . . .

ELIOT IVANHOE

With everyone, including Midwood students, discussing the threats of nuclear war, life in a bomb shelter is of immediate and real significance:

Although it was a relatively large shelter, with five rooms for four people, it felt crowded. Electric heaters were blazing everywhere, yet the walls and linoleum floors were freezing. Some water was ominously leaking down a wall, contributing to the cold and dismal atmosphere.

We had been there for many days, without a television set, a radio, or a newspaper. We had books, checkers, chess, and cards, but had already lost our desire for all these things. My main and overpowering thought was that this had been a wasted Christmas Vacation, for I had spent my time daydreaming and idly strumming the mandolin.

Different from many of the other so-called shelters, this one had a real fireplace which provided the second constant activity: hauling logs and relighting the fire (the first and major activity was eating).

The bleakness of the situation was enhanced by further hardship. There was the constant fear that the water in the pipes would freeze. Having no shotgun, we were also worried about "visitors" to this out-of-the-way shelter.

There was always the prevalent fear of conditions outside. We heard eerie sounds, probably the howls of wind and wolves. By the indoor temperature we knew it was freezing outside; however, without communications, we were unaware of most external conditions, and feared venturing out of the shelter.

We had felt lucky, having gotten out of New York City in time to miss the traffic. We thought of the mass exodus that must have taken place on the slippery roads.

At last, we decided to leave. We dragged our luggage (and ourselves) through the wind and snow up a one-half mile hill to our car. As we waited for the motor to turn over, we wondered what it would be like to live in a BOMB shelter, for life in a shelter would be very similar to this wintry stay at a country cottage.

PLEASE, ST. VALENTINE!

To a Valentine:

On a day of frilly hearts and candy what do you really think about? Do you remember, not so long ago, when you sent little cards to all your friends? Most of the cards were supposedly funny, with a picture of Frankenstein and a pierced heart; but there was always that special one. It was designed with doilies and a treasured poem. It was placed on his desk when he wasn't looking. Then, when he read the inscription "Love, X," you followed his gaze around the room. He smiled when he looked at you. Do you remember your embarassment and how you wished that somehow you could snatch it away, so he wouldn't know it was yours?

When this day of love comes again, will you wonder how it all started; why you must watch the mailman, anxiously peering over his shoulder in search of an impressive looking envelope with a desired return address? Was it really a Roman festival in honor of Saint Valentine? Maybe February 14 is just a miniature Christmas, a day for the florists, the card shops, and the candy stores. Does it really matter why it is and who it is for? Does it really matter, when you put that special card away . . . to remember.

Helene Monheit

Death is Dealt in 'Candidate'

"He is the kindest, warmest, most wonderful person I have ever met," says Frank Sinatra of his war buddy, Laurence Harvey, who nonchalantly shoots five people through the head and strangles two others. No, Sinatra is not one of Harvey's close relatives who is overlooking a few minor faults in his kin. He is the leader of a patrol which was captured in Korea and brainwashed by Red Chinese Communists to believe that Harvey is a great war hero. At the same time, the Chinese Reds were planting the queen of diamonds in Harvey's subconscious as a device to trigger him into becoming a "police-proof mechanism of murder." When the patrol was returned to its post, the men remembered nothing except that Harvey was a great war hero who had saved their lives.

The diabolical scheme behind all this preparation was to use Harvey to assassinate the presidential candidate, thus enabling the Communists to take over the U.S. government. The startling outcome of this "kooky thriller," based on a story by Richard Condon, can best be appreciated when seen "larger than life" on the screen of your local theatre.

Manchurian Candidate is an unusual picture, directed by John Frankenheimer, which combines love, hate, fighting, politics, suspense, "momism," and cold-war tactics. On the outside, the movie appears to be a mere thriller, but if examined more closely it seems to show up weaknesses in our society. It constructively ridicules phony war heroism, right wing fanaticism, and certain weaknesses in some of our democratic institutions.

"Manchurian Candidate" is not entirely flawless. Although the plot of the movie is a suspenseful "attention getter," it is sometimes too "way out" to be credible. Nevertheless, it is a different type of picture, well worth seeing.

CATHERINE KRAUTTER

Sentiments Mixed on Mobile

The **Midwood Argus** conducted this survey of student opinions concerning the new mobile located in the music lounge. The work, constructed by David Burt, and dedicated to the memory of the late Miss Catherine Meehan, stirs many varying emotions. We asked some students what they thought of this creation:

"Spiralling as it does in the rarified atmosphere of the music lounge, it seems to embody, perhaps it would be more accurate to say express, something beautiful, fundamental, and unknown about life."

Madeline Gabrielson, 434A

"That's a good question . . . yes . . . that's a good question."

Edward Kaufold, 333M

"If I had a living room I would put it [the mobile] there."

Regina Steinberg, 371A

"I'm a squad member. I'll get killed if I give my real impression of it."

Jeffry Laub, 471M

"It's different. It looks like it's abstract."

Sherry Baitcher, 354M

"That thing up there? I like it . . . It's different."

Jill Farina, 432A

"It's a conflict, there is nothing to it . . . it should be round. There should be bright colors."

Eileen Singer, 319A

"I think it's very appropriate because it matches the walls and the carpet [of the music lounge]."

David Breslauer, 167A
Music Lounge Commissioner

"It makes me dizzy."

Bill Foronjy, 307M

The new mobile

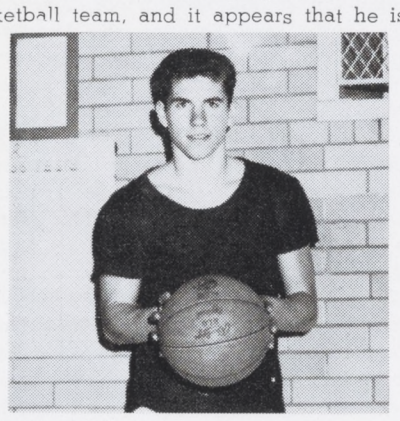
"It's nice. The thing is: what is it supposed to be? I can't understand it though. Why are those top two things a different color from the rest? It looks a little odd, I guess. It's nice anyway. It looks like birds' wings. It looks like birds flying all around."

Mickey Roth, 479

Sportlight Spots Captain Gene Dressler

By PAUL COHEN

Gene Dressler has often been referred to as the sparkplug of our basketball team, and it appears that he is



Gene Dressler

the greatest asset the squad is equipped with.

Rising to the top seems to be a habit with Gene. As a sophomore he was already playing varsity basketball. Last season Gene had the opportunity of being one of the five starters on the greatest basketball team in the school's history. Here Gene was used mainly as a defensive ace. Although only 6 ft. this ballhawking, aggressive player held many of the finest men to their minimum scores, while contributing many valuable points himself. This year Gene is first man and captain of a team that is trying to outdo its record of last year. Gene is still the defensive ace, but now he has become a powerful offensive star as well, boasting a 13 point per game average.

Off the basketball court, Gene is a student in excellent standing. He has already received feelers from such top schools as Harvard, Dartmouth, Princeton and the University of Rochester, while Pratt, N.Y.U. and Harper have shown great interest. With his 93.4% average, it seems that the choice remains with Gene.

When the season changes and spring comes Gene does not rest. Instead he trades in his basketball for a glove and plays for Midwood's baseball team. Here, he is a superb utility infielder and a valuable asset to the team. Playing varsity ball as a sophomore, Gene had a .381 batting percentage, highest on the team. For this excellent performance Gene was voted the "Rookie of the Year Award."

Great thrills in Gene Dressler's life are abundant. Asked by this reporter to pinpoint the most thrilling, Gene said that he was honored and thrilled to play ball for Midwood in Madison Square Garden last season. Here, the Mid-five downed Erasmus and Sheepshead and fell to Morris.

When asked to comment as to what he attributes his basketball success, Gene responded, "the helpful guidance of Mr. Fried, and constant practice." If one would look back, one would see that Gene was raised in the heritage of athletes. Gene's father was a varsity player during his years at City College, and this is where Gene's interest stems.

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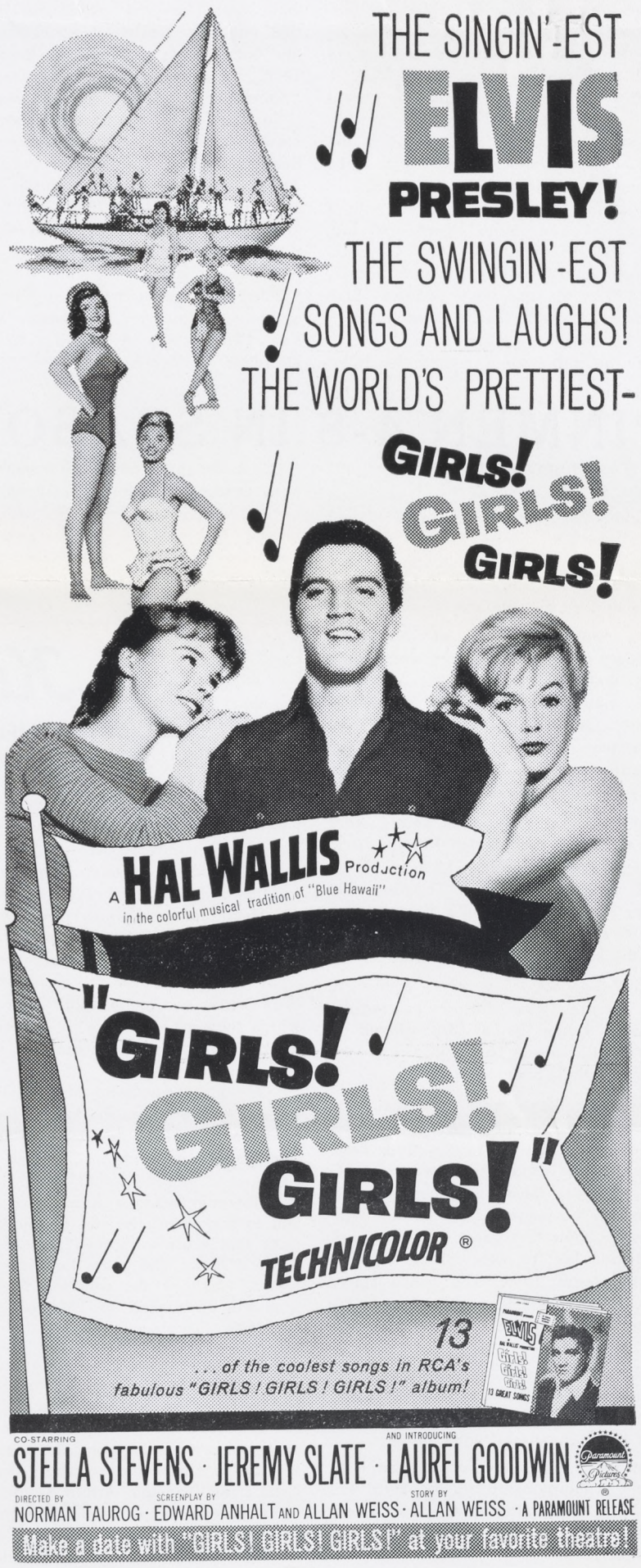
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Riflers Hit in League Play; Paced by Lerner and Jampel

By JAY GROSSMAN

Despite the handicap of being able to practice only once a week, the Midwood Rifle Team has compiled a 6—2 mark in its tough PSAL division. Led by co-captains Mike Lerner and Mike Jampel, the squad has an excellent shot at copping second place behind the strong Brooklyn Tech aggregation.

The Nimrods opened their season with a devastating victory over a weak John Jay team 844—644. Mike Lerner, whose average has been 175, tops for the team this season, led the scorers with 180 out of a possible 200.

However, Brooklyn Tech, the perennial city Champs in riflery, quickly placed the Middies in the ranks of the defeated with an 898—836 match. Mike Jampel, averaging 173 tallied 180.

The sharpshooters recovered with a string of four wins over John Jay, 870—711, Ft. Hamilton, 845—747, Alexander Hamilton, 812—766, and Lincoln, 828—813. In the last contest, Rich Thorner scored 184, individual high for the team this season.

In the subsequent match, the Riflemen absorbed their second loss when Madison upset them, 844—819. They quickly bounced back, though, dropping Alexander Hamilton 879—831.

Coach Barney Cohen stated, nevertheless, that he was not entirely satisfied with the team's efforts. The mentor pointed out that while the Middies averaged 841 in league competition, there were matches in which their scores soared to 870 and more. He laid the reason of this inconsistency to the fact that Midwood does not have rifle facilities, making it necessary for the Nimrods to practice at Brooklyn Tech. They are permitted to use the Engineer's range but once a week.

Turning to an optimistic point of view, Mr. Cohen said the team has been bolstered by the addition of Andy Shoenbach to the rotation. This sophomore collected 172 points in his first league appearance in the Sharpshooters' second victory over Ft. Hamilton.

Other boys participating in the first eight-encounters of the season were Ken Orner, who averaged 171, Jay Fleischer, and Bob Krief.

PINMEN 4-8 IN SEASON

By DAVE BRESLAUER

After a good start, the Midwood Bowling Team hit a slump, and finished with a 4—8 record for the season. However, this is no indication of the team's ability for next year, since they will all be veterans.

Mr. Delaney, coach of the team, pointed out that "it is a young squad and they are sure to improve." He also stated the need for more material with which to work. Mr. Delaney feels that there are in Midwood many potential good ball-rollers who would be an asset to the team.

Members of this year's squad were Captain Rich Kamph, Jeff Harmon, John Friscia, Robert Hendler, Michael Namm and William Mentlik. Together, the boys averaged about 170. Kamph, with a 190 average, was the highest scorer on the squad.

The bowlers play each school in the league twice during the regular season. Home games are played at Nostrand Lanes. They also use the lanes for their practice.

Though they were defeated by Sheepshead Bay, Madison, Alexander Hamilton, Tilden, Wingate and Erasmus, the bowling squad was able to roll decisive blows against two top teams in the league, Erasmus and Wingate. In their first game with Erasmus, Midwood lost by one roll of the ball in the tenth frame. The coach stated that it was like that all season. "We have lost most of the games by a score of 2 to 1."

The winning team in a league match is judged by the best 2 out of 3 games. The points of each player is totaled up and the highest total wins.

At the end of the month, the individual championship in Brooklyn will be held. Competing in the tournament are Harmon, Friscia, Namm, Mentlik and Kamph.

Coach Delaney's outlook for the team next season is bright. "Prospects are good and the squad will be returning intact." He feels that since they will be older and more experienced they will play a better, more organized game.

Cagers Bow to Wingate; Record Stands at 7-4

By MARTY HUSS

With the memory of last year's extremely successful "Garden Team" still vivid, the Midwood Basketball Team has struggled to compile a 7—4 record thus far this season.

The record for "Suicide Division" league games stands at 3—4. After winning its first three games against Lincoln, 46—45, Lafayette, 50—48, and Ft. Hamilton, 52—30, the Midwood Five lost its first league game to Tilden, 32—34. This was a real cliff-hanger which either team could have won. The Middies, determined to make up for lost ground, walloped Brooklyn Tech in the following league game by the 29 point margin of 73—44.

Boys High was the next opponent and despite an excellent performance by Midwood, the game went to the Kangaroos, 55-34.

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The Mid-Five thoroughly trounced Brooklyn Tech by the lopsided score of 56-33. Jimmy Meyers sparked the team's rally with his lay-up in the opening seconds. The Middies were then paced by Ivan Leshinsky and Gene Dressler, who tallied 16 and 10 points, respectively. The third period was marked by a scoring spree, led by Paul Mayblum, which netted Midwood eight quick tallies. Fast playing kept the Engineers in check for the entire game.

The Erasmus game proved to be a repetition of the Boys game. Spurred by Capt. Gene Dressler, the Middies played a fair ball game, but not enough to top Erasmus who caused Midwood to succumb.

Tying their league mark at 2—2, the Cagers overpowered Jefferson 58—49, with Dave Teter and Ivan Leshinsky turning in excellent performances. At full strength, the Middies gained a strong victory against Sheepshead Bay 65—48, the following game. Then came a big one. The great strength of the Wingate Basketball Squad was met by a powerful Middie squad and despite a fast break, the Generals forged on to a league victory.

Determined not to fall prey to Tilden again, the Middies met their opponent with great success.

Ivan Leshinsky started the scoring and then proceeded to total 15 points. In the second quarter, Dave Teter, a defensive ace, turned pro on offense. By the end of the half, Midwood had the lead 35-25.

The second half saw Gene Dressler playing great ball. Employing the fast break, he and Teter sparked Midwood's scoring. Jim O'Brien played a heads-up game also, scoring 9. The Middies' success laid in Leshinsky's and Teter's 15 points and Dressler's 12. Mayblum and Meyers, along with subs Starr, Mogulescu, and Winkelman contributed to make the final score Midwood 72, Tilden 47.

With six games left, five of which are league matches, the Middies will face Madison twice. Capt. Dressler remarked that the fast break has been working better and has helped improve the team's record. If they don't make the Garden playoffs, the Middies have, up to this point, played an excellent season.

Kickoff

SANFORD HURWITZ

Coach Herb Solomon's Swimmers posted a shining 7—0 record during 1962-63 season, the finest in many years. This record spiraled them into contention with Brooklyn Tech, a school which possesses some of the fastest swimmers in the country. Tech, who managed to deter the Middies' powerful onslaught and cause them to succumb.

Jim Rickard, captain, is graduating this year. This great swimmer, the best in Midwood's history, broke five school records.

Nevertheless, the newly chosen captains, Alan Glassman and Jim McNulty, will help pace the squad next season. Marvin Schwartz, a freshman, shows good potential and will be another key asset in a winning campaign.

It is too bad that the members of such a fine team are forced to journey to Brownsville and to pay their own transportation fee in order to secure a pool in which they may practice. It is a shame that arrangements cannot be worked out to obtain a pool nearer home.

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We must commend Mr. Dave Fried, coach of the basketball team, for his excellent coverage of the Middie Football games. Coach Fried was stationed on top of the athletic field roof and via the public address system, announced the happenings on the gridiron. This led to greater excitement and a more interesting game.

However, when a strong gust of wind came, anyone on the roof had to hold fast to the railing lest he be blown on to the fifty yard line. It is interesting to note, that a glass encased press box will be affixed to the roof of Midwood High Athletic Field. The press box will enable the announcer to make accurate comments, whatever the weather. An intercom system, from press box to fifty yard line, will be hooked up. This will aid in identifying players and giving immediate coverage.

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Another one of Midwood's better, but infrequently recognized teams, is the golf team. With a 9-2 record in the 1961 season, which placed the squad second in Brooklyn, the golf team lost only to Brooklyn Tech last season.

The Linkmen are piloted by a junior Don Ferrone, who went undefeated as a sophomore last season. The team consists of two year veterans Marc Abrams and Marty Huss, and members from last year; Paul Peller, Ed Friedman, Danny Katz, Even Dobkins, Arthur Goldman and Mel Horowitz.

Despite the handicap of having a different coach for each of the last three seasons, the Linkmen have held their own with two winning seasons, and are looking forward to another one under Coach Dolph Mascari.

Trackmen Predict Successful Season

The Midwood Indoor Track Team, under the direction of Coach Bill Eisenberg, and managing of Mark Benson, is looking forward to a fine season. The members of the Cross-Country Team will provide the backbone for the squad and there are many promising new prospects.

The team is captained by Gil Berzen, a half and quarter mile specialist, who in the words of the coach is "a hard-working, conscientious runner." Another one of the team's stand-outs is Billy Goodheart, the P.S.A.L.'s champion, who will be running the mile. Coach Eisenberg expects "big things from Billy." Another Cross-Country member, Bob Petritch, will be the hurdles specialist along with Joel Cohen. Bruce Levine, an outstanding football prospect, is one of the fastest men on the track squad.

The team has had one indoor meet at the State Armory and they have a dual meet lined up with Poly Prep. Also in the near future are the Cardinal Hayes and Saint Frances meets. As of now, the Coach is not sure of just how much talent he has and these meets will be the testing ground for the boys.

Marty Horowitz